

Klansman Sues to Get Police Job

RICHMOND, Aug. 13 (AP)—John Bellamy, a former Chesterfield County policeman who says he is a member of the United Klans of America, filed suit yesterday in the county Circuit Court seeking \$125,000 in damages and reinstatement to the force.

A request for a temporary injunction ordering reinstatement was denied by Richmond Hustings Court Judge William E. Spain after Circuit Court Judge David White declined to hear the request.

White said he refused to hear the petition because he and Judge Ernest P. Gates, appointing authority for Chesterfield police and named as a defendant in the case, were members of the same court.

Also named as a defendant is County Police Chief Edgar P. Gill.

Bellamy is seeking \$25,000 in compensatory damages from the county and \$100,000 in exemplary damages from Gates and Gill.

I. P. Blue Jr., Bellamy's attorney, said Bellamy's resignation was "tendered under duress" and was forced by circumstances that included Bellamy's membership in the klan and his refusal to spy on the klan for the FBI.

The petition said Bellamy "did not want to resign, but he did so under pressure."

Accompanying Blue and Bellamy was Robert Hudgins, grand dragon of the United Klans of America Realm of Virginia.